

Personal Mention

The address of brother W. J. H. Bauman now is Morrill, Kansas.

"We prize the paper very highly," writes Brother Cline, Goshen, Indiana.

Brother W. H. Miller expects, if well enough, to come to Ashland about January 1, 1901.

Brother C. F. Yoder has been taken to Warsaw, where he is taken care of by his Brother Frank.

On the eighth of December Brother Wampler began revival services in Highland church, Pa.

December 10, brother D. A. Hopkins began revival meetings in the Corinth, Indiana church.

Brother B. H. Flora reports one accession at Cerro Gordo, Illinois, December 6, at a regular appointment.

Brother I. D. Bowman reports seven accessions at Gretna, Ohio. He will be at Ridgely, Md. over Christmas.

The address of brother J. H. Swihart has been changed from Berne, Indiana, to Logansport, Ind., R. R. No. 4.

Brother Hixson makes an appeal that should have the attention of all the churches of the Kanemorado District.

We call special attention to the College announcement for next term by the President, Professor J. A. Miller.

Brother R. R. Teeter closed a three weeks' meeting in his home congregation, Milledgeville, Ill., with three accessions.

December 25, Christmas day, brother L. S. Bauman will begin a series of revival services in the Brethren church in Dayton, Ohio.

Brother Shively writes interesting church news from California, and reports seven accessions as the result of their camp meeting. The work on the Pacific coast is progressing.

Sister Wrightsman, Atlanta, Ga., writes: "The EVANGELIST is growing better and better each week. We could not do without it. It is much more spiritual than it used to be, and that is what we need."

Sabbath December 10, Brother Beachler preached in the college chapel, and last Sabbath Brother McCollough preached. Owing to the sickness of the pastor Brother Furry preached in the Congregational church.

Brother J. C. Mackey writes; "Three weeks' meeting closed at West Alexandria, Ohio. Immediate result, five accessions by baptism. Meeting to begin in the Bear Creek congregation Tuesday, December 4."

Brother J. I. Hall reports two accessions at the Bethlehem church, Harrisonburg, Va.; thirteen at the Arkton church, Va., and one at Mission Branch, W. V., making sixteen in all. This is good news from the old dominion.

Brother D. H. Kelso and wife have moved from Carleton, Nebr., to Esbon, Kansas, where he and Brother Keim will engage in the banking business. There are bright young business men and we speak for them success in their new venture.

Brother A. J. Baughman organized a new church not far from Williamstown, Ohio, after a series of meetings which resulted in fifteen baptisms. The church is to be known as the Morrison's Grove church, and Brother Baughman represents it as a good field for the Brethren.

We are in receipt of a circular from Brother Hall announcing a musical convention to be held in the Bethlehem church, Harrisonburg, Va., beginning December 30, 1900. Brother Hall intends to sing out the old century and sing in the new.

A good way. It would be far better if more of our life were song.

Thru an oversight we failed to report three accessions to the Enon, Iowa church about the middle of November. Brother Gillin made note of these accessions in a letter to us and in commenting says, "This is a case of revival which was not 'worked up,' but was 'prayed down.'" And they are the kind that count. The preacher who gets his sermons "down" accomplishes more for Christ than the one who gets them "up."

Sister Mary Sterling owns two Brethren Publication Board bonds, and she has very kindly donated the interest amounting to \$20. In behalf of the Board and of the church at large we thank Sister Sterling for her liberal gift. We shall not object to saying equally nice things about others who hold bonds. In fact Brother Augustine has been appropriating the interest accruing on his bond sending the paper to worthy poor.

The following is from the *Twin Valley Echo*: Thanksgiving was generally observed, and a grateful people gathered in large numbers in the various churches in towns and cities and reverently worshiped almighty God. The union service held in the Methodist church of this place was largely attended, and those who heard the address of Dr. Mackey speak of it in glowing terms. It is said to have been timely, temperate and taking.

December 10 brother J. H. Burnworth, Morrill, Kan., preached two very acceptable sermons in the Louisville, Ohio congregations. From there he went to Middle Branch to engage in revival work for a short season. Brother Burnworth, before going to Louisville, visited at Ashland with brother A. H. Lichty and wife, his son-in-law and daughter. He will return to Ashland for a short time. The indications are that he will remain in Ohio. There is an abundance of work in the state and we gladly welcome him among us.

Sister D. K. Deeter, Sulphur Springs, Indiana, writes, "I enjoy reading the EVANGELIST. It affords me much pleasure as it brings news from far and near." Also Mrs. Knool, South Fork, Pa., writes, "The paper is getting better every year. We get from it many good thoughts that are helpful." It is a pleasure to us to know that our readers enjoy the paper. Our pastors will please note that what is mostly enjoyed is the church news from different parts of the brotherhood. For this news we must look to you. Let us have more of it.

Monday morning brought us two papers, marked copies, from Uniontown, Pa., announcing the death and burial of Brother Walter Sterling, Masontown, Pa. Our heart was made sad at the news for more than one reason. It was our privilege, during a revival meeting held at Masontown some years ago, to baptize the young man whose death is announced. He was kind and tenderhearted, and we cherish very pleasant recollections of Brother Walter at the home of whose father and mother we spent many happy days.

A card from Brother Menaugh, dated Saturday, December 15 states that he has recovered from the fever and expects to go to town that day. We also have communications from both brethren Miller and Rench who are getting along nicely. The last news from Brother Summers was not so favorable. We are glad also to report that Brother Yoder is improving. It was quite a siege our Indiana brethren went thru, and surely there is cause for gratitude, as thus far death has gained no victory. May they, together with all of us, trust more and more in the strength of the Lord.

This is the way Sister Myers, Mount Pleasant, Pa., accepts our offer, "What we Give for Two Dollars." She encloses the two dollars and says: The BRETHREN EVANGELIST, a pearl of great price;

The truthful little Annual that teaches no vice;

The news about the college, the Purple and Gold To aid illumination in our happy household; The Life of D. L. Moody, one of earth's great preachers;

We have the word of God, oh what a corps of teachers.

Those who have occasion to write to J. C. Cassel can address him at 915 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa. After the first of the year a church directory will appear standing in the Evangelist. The Annual for 1901 will give you the addresses of many persons who hold important offices in the church. For this issue we give the following Directory:

Secretary National Mission Board, J. C. Cassel, 915 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

President National Mission Board, and missionary to Chicago, J. O. Talley, 940 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill.

G. W. Rench is president of the Brethren Foreign Missionary Society, Goshen, Indiana.

We invite special attention to the article by brother B. C. Moomaw, on "Historical Accuracy," being a brief reply to Elder S. Z. Sharp of the German Baptist church. The facts to which Brother Moomaw calls Brother Sharp's attention will give him and his brethren something to think about. It is the naked truth, and every German Baptist who knows anything knows that it is the truth. The facts, the real facts in the case, are not something to boast of as Brother Sharp is inclined to, but rather to be ashamed of. Not only did the Brethren leave behind them the bank accounts and to a large extent the farms, but unjustly they were compelled to leave behind them church buildings in which they had invested money, and build anew or be without a place of worship.

About ten days ago Brother Miller left Ashland for Waterloo, Iowa, where he was called to dedicate the new church building erected by the Brethren. The *Waterloo Daily Courier* gives an elaborate account of the dedication, together with a cut of the present pastor, Brother Gillin, and a cut of the new church. They also give a synopsis of the sermon by Professor Miller and speaks in terms of praise of the discourse. Brethren Bashor and Hildebrand were present also, and from the account given in the paper the meeting was a splendid success. Three services were held on Sabbath, one in the morning, afternoon and evening. In the afternoon a number of ministers other than those of our communion were present and gave encouraging talks. We also note with pleasure that Brother Bashor delivered a short but interesting address. A full account of the dedication and the meetings which followed will be given later. Brother Miller remained one week and preached for the brethren each evening. Seven accessions are reported. The brethren have splendid prospects in that growing town and under the efficient leadership of Brother Gillin the cause of the Brethren church will gain a strong foothold. May the Lord bless the effort.

Communion Notice

The Brethren church of Bryan, Ohio, will hold their semi-annual communion on Sunday evening, Dec. 23. A general invitation is extended to all.

S. B. GRISSE.

It is not generally known, perhaps, that the largest army in the world, which marshals under one banner, is that of the Sunday-school. In round numbers it exceeds the enormous enrollment of twenty-five millions, and more than half of them are on American soil. Between thirteen and fourteen millions are in the United States and Canada, which is about one-sixth of the entire population. This has been appropriately styled "our standing army." Over twenty millions of them are studying the uniform system of International Lessons.